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Chief, Site Investigation and Compliance Branch
Emergency and Remedial Response Division
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
26 Federal Plaza
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Attention: SCP - Carlstadt Project Officer

Dear Sir:

Attached is the January 1988 Progress Report for the RI/FS project at the SCP Carlstadt site. This report has been prepared by Dames & Moore, on behalf of the Committee representing the Respondents named in the Administrative Order on Consent No. II CERCLA-50114, in accordance with Paragraph 28B of the Order.

Very truly yours,

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ATTACHMENT 1

SCP RI/FS PROGRESS REPORT
JANUARY, 1988

PROGRESS AND STATUS

1. The laboratory chemical analysis is still in progress. No problems have been encountered thus far with respect to holding times, method detection limits, or general laboratory performance.
2. A joint meeting was held on January 7, 1988 with EPA, DEP, and PRP Technical Committee and Dames & Moore to discuss an Operable Unit Feasibility Study (OUFS) addressing the upper soils at the site. The EPA called the meeting to discuss, in general terms, their reasons for seeking an OUFS. As a result of this meeting, a future meeting was planned to discuss off-site wells.
3. A meeting was held on January 15, 1988 with EPA, DEP and Dames & Moore to discuss off-site wells. The EPA identified eight locations for shallow aquifer and till aquifer wells off-site (four wells per aquifer). Dames & Moore presented water level contour maps for both aquifers based on two sets of water level measurements (July 1987 and January 1988). Dames & Moore will collect and evaluate additional information (sewer lines, trenches, Meadowlands pumping) before final locations of wells are selected.
4. No comments on the geophysical data had been received from the EPA by January 31.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

None

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SCHEDULE

The laboratory program, laboratory data QA review and site analysis are currently on schedule (see POP Revision 6 for revised RI schedule).

PLANNED ACTIVITIES - FEBRUARY, 1988

1. Complete laboratory program and data QA review.
2. Continue site analysis.
3. Begin draft RI report.
4. Meet with EPA on February 5 to discuss off-site wells.